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TO AMCONSUL FRANKFURT

AMEMBASSY BONN

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FOL BERN 4984 SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO GENEVA MOSCOW OCT 26,
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C O N F I D E N T I A L BERN 4984

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SUBJ: US-USSR INDIAN OCEAN ARMS CONTROL TALKS

REF: STATE 254022; MOSCOW 15423

1. EMBASSY BERN WOULD BE PLEASED TO SERVE AS HOST TO
US DELEGATION. WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM ACDA,
WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT DELEGATION CAN BE ADEQUATELY
SERVED. OUR REPOSSES TO SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS RAISED
STATE 254022 FOLLOW.

2. WORKING SPACE. EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE SECURE
WORKING OFFICE SPACE FOR UP TO 20 INDIVIDUALS BY
TEMPORARILY MOVING COMMERICAL SECTION FROM
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THIRD FLOOR TO GROUND FLOOR. OFFICES WOULD THEN
BE AVAILABLE ON THIRD AND FOURTH FLOORS AND IN
DAO AREA ON SECOND FLOOR. THERE WOULD BE NO
LOCALS IN ANY OF THSES AREAS.EMBASSY HAS A
CONFERENCE ROOM ON SECOND FLOOR, WHICH WILL SEAT 20.
THIS CONFERENCE ROOM IS USED FOR EMBASSY STAFF MEETINGS
AND KEY IS UNDER AMERICAN CONTROL. IT IS NOT AN

ACOUSTIC CONFERENCE ROOM. THE ACOUSTIC CONFERENCE ROOM IS ON THE FOURTH FLOOR (WHERE PART OF DELEGATION WOULD BE HOUSED). THE ACOUSTIC CONFERENCE ROOM CAN HOLD NO MORE THAN 8 PEOPLE. ADEQUATE STORAGE CONTAINERS CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE.

3. COMMUNICATIONS. WE HAVE SUFFICIENT ELECTRIC TYPEWRITERS. HOWEVER, WE NOTE THAT NONE HAVE INERTIA MOTORS AND RTC FRANKFURT WOULD HAVE TO MODIFY THEM. EMBASSY HAS 2 CRO AND 2 TCU. ON ASSUMPTION THAT US DELEGATION WILL CONFER DURING NORMAL WORK DAY AND SEND ITS REPORTING TELEGRAMS THEREAFTER, WE WILL NEED ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS STAFF. WE CANNOT ACCURATELY ESTIMATE SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL STAFF NEEDED UNTIL WE KNOW HOW MUCH INCOMING AND OUTGOING TELEGRAPHIC TRAFFIC WILL BE GENERATED. PERHAPS OC AND RCO BONN WOULD BE IN A POSITION TO ADVISE ON BASIS PAST EXPERIENCE.

4. CONFERENCE FACILITIES. EMBASSY BERN DOES NOT RPT NOT HAVE A CONFERENCE ROOM LARGE ENOUGH TO SEAT 30 PEOPLE AND WE COULD NOT RPT NOT HANDLE JOINT SESSIONS OF THE DELEGATIONS. EMBASSY OFFICERS BELIEVE SOVIET EMBASSY DOES HAVE ADEQUATE ROOM FOR JOINT MEETINGS OF THE TWO DELEGATIONS. IN THIS CONNECTION WE INFERRED FROM FIRST SENTENCE, PARA 3 OF MOSCOW 15423 THAT TIKHONRAVOV WAS SAYING THIS WAS THE CASE. COULD EMBASSY CONFIDENTIAL

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MOSCOW CLARIFY? WE HAVE NOT APPROACHED SWISS BUT ARE SURE THEY COULD SUPPLY AN APPROPRIATE ROOM, IF OUR SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS PERMITTED.

5. TRANSPORTATION. THE EMBASSY AND DAO COULD AT MOST PROVIDE 2 VEHICLES AND DRIVER SERVICES DURING NORMAL WORKDAYS. ONE VEHICLE WOULD BE A SPORT VAN AND THE OTHER A STATION WAGON. THESE 2 VEHICLES COULD PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FOR ABOUT 13 INDIVIDUALS. OTHER VEHICLES AND DRIVERS WOULD EITHER HAVE TO BE SUPPLIED FROM US MISSION GENEVA OR RENTED FROM HERTZ (ABOUT DOLS 125 PER DAY FOR CAR AND DRIVER).

6. HOTELS. WE BELIEVE THAT BULK IF NOT ALL OF DELEGATION COULD BE HOUSED AT SILVAHOF HOTEL (ADJACENT TO EMBASSY) AND THE BALANCE IN TOWN.

7. SECURITY. EMBASSY HAS 5 WATCHSTANDERS PLUS A NCOIC. DEPT MAY WISH TO AUGMENT THIS DETACHMENT IF OPEN STORAGE IS CONTEMPLATED.

8. EMBASSY IS COMMITTED TO MEETING WITH BUSINESS

REPRESENTATIVES OF SEVERAL US STATES ON DEC 6.
IF INDIAN OCEAN TALKS COME TO BERN, THIS WILL ENTAIL
ADDITIONAL EXPENSES OF TWO TO THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS
FOR FACILITIES FOR THIS MEETING WITH STATE REPS WHICH
WE WOULD EXPECT ACDA TO PAY.

9. COSTS OVER AND ABOVE NORMAL SUPPORT. AS WE SEE
IT, MAJOR COSTS WOULD BE CARS, DRIVERS AND THEIR
OVERTIME, COMMUNICATOR OVERTIME, TDY GUARDS (IF RE-
QUIRED) AND TELEPHONE CALLS.

10. AMBASSADOR WARNER IS IN WASHINGTON FOR CON-
SULTATIONS THIS WEEK. ASSUME DEPT HAS TOLD HIM ABOUT
THIS. ODELL UNQUOTE VANCE
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